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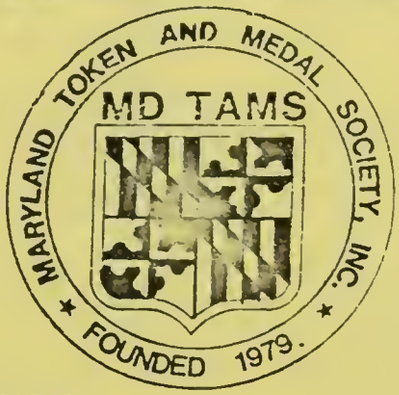

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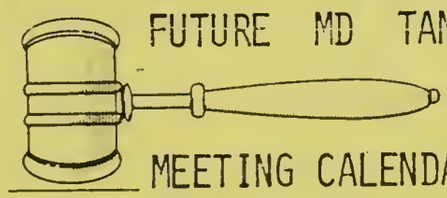

FUTURE MD TAMS MEETING CALENDAR

1983

April 24th, at WMPG Tri-Club Annual Convention & Coin Show, April 22-24, Sheraton Inn, New Carrollton, Lanham,MD

MD TAMS Annual Meeting Sunday, April 24th, 1983, 12:30 to 3:00 PM

Program: Civil War Tokens by Will Mumford. Consignment Auction will be held also.

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THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

You all must be aware by now that our February meeting at the Suburban Washington Coin Show was a complete wipe out as a result of the "Blizzard of 1983". I talked to one of the dealers who had a table and he commented that it was the longest 4 day dealer bourse he ever attended. The grape vine also told me that one of our club members did get to the show on Friday and really had smooth sailing cherry picking all those Maryland tokens. He was practically the only one on the bourse floor.

This April will mark the start of the 5th year of existence for MD TAMS. The founding meeting of the society was held on April 22, 1979, where it was decided to form an organization to promote the collecting and research of tokens and medals with emphasis on the State of Maryland. For me personally, it has been a very rewarding and fruitful four years. First, to actually see the birth of our society and then to watch it grow in stature to the position where it now ranks among the top TAMS organizations in the country. Thanks to each of you for making that an accomplishment of which we can all be very proud.

Our Annual Meeting in April will feature the election of new officers to take over the reins of MD TAMS for the next two years. This new leadership will introduce some new ideas to inspire the membership to new and greater accomplishments. So, I encourage each of you to support MD TAMS and make plans to attend the upcoming Annual Meeting which will be held in conjunction with the WMPG Tri-Club 4th Annual Convention Coin Show on Sunday, April 24th, from 12:30-3:00 P.M. More important, if you desire to hold an office in MD TAMS, please let me know and I'll make sure your name gets to the nominating committee. My term as President expires with the April election and hopefully I can now spend more time researching some of those tokens in my collection instead of just accumulating them. I personally thank all the officers, appointed Vice-Presidents, committeemen and volunteers who helped make my term as president fruitful and satisfying.

In the past, I've always voiced the opinion that our MD TAMS JOURNAL is the life line of our organization. And today I feel even more strongly about that! The ability to maintain a first class publication depends upon you the membership to contribute articles to it. Put our editors to the test. Put together a story about some token or medal and send it to them. Take advantage of the free classified ad or advertise in the journal. It's there for your use! Editor, A. Vernon Taylor, has decided to step down effective March 21st, the issue date of the Spring 1983 issue. Luckily, I managed to find an excellent replacement or shoud I say two replacements. Russ and Jane Sears have volunteered as editors and I'm sure that the journal will continue to be the fine publication it has in the past. Both Russ and Jane are frequent contributors to the journal and have been prize winners for their excellent articles.

The Board of Directors recently discussed some proposed changes in our Constitution and By-laws. Major changes under consideration were adding a Vice President, changing appointed positions to elected positions, raising dues, change the annual meeting and changing the fiscal year. After much deliberation, a few major changes were made. See page 19 for those changes.

Plenty activity is planned for our Annual Meeting, so make sure you're there. Once again, we will hold an auction. So, don't forget to bring your lots. (Auction of your material--not a benefit auction) A program on Civil War Tokens will be presented by one of our members, Willard R. Mumford. See you all at the annual meeting in New Carrollton on Sunday, April 24th.

Willard W. Hajek

MARYLAND encased coins

by Joan Marie Taylor MD TAMS JC-27

MD-EC-50

Obv: WHEELER CHEVROLET SALES/HAMPSTEAD, MD./1950 1¢/PHONE 3211/1921-1951
Rev: KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE/(1950 1¢)
Shape: Round, Alum., 35mm

MD-EC-51

Obv: WHEELER CHEVROLET INC./(1971D 1¢)/HAMPSTEAD, MD./1921-OUR 50TH YEAR-1971
Rev: KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE/(1971D 1¢)
Shape: Round, Alum., 35mm

MD-EC-52

Obv: SAVE AT THE REXALL ONE CENT SALE/(1949 1¢)
Rev: KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE/(1949 1¢)
Shape: Round, Alum., 35mm

MD-EC-53

Obv: SHERBROOK/86(1946 1¢)PROOF/MARYLAND/STRAIGHT RYE
Rev: KEEP ME AND YOU WILL HAVE GOOD LUCK ("HAVE" Located under "YOU")/1946 1¢
Shape: Round, Alum., 35mm

MD-EC-54

Obv: BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD/SAFE COMFORTABLE DEPENDABLE/(4 leaf clover) (1933 1¢)(horseshoe)/AMERICA'S FIRST RAILROAD/FIRST TO AIR-CONDITION CARS
Rev: BALTIMORE & OHIO RAILROAD/ALL TRAINS EAST & WEST/VIA WASHINGTON/ (TOM THUMB LOCOMOTIVE)(1933 1¢)(MODERN STEAM LOCOMOTIVE)/CHICAGO-1933/ A CENTURY OF PROGRESS
Shape: Round, Alum., 32mm

MD-EC-55

Obv: BALTIMORE AND OHIO/TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM/(1968D 1¢)/BALTIMORE,/MARYLAND
Rev: KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE/(1968D 1¢)/I BRING/GOOD LUCK
Shape: Horseshoe, Alum., 41 X 35mm, Holed at top.

MD-EC-56

Obv: B & O RAILROAD MUSEUM/(1980 1¢)/BALTIMORE,/MARYLAND
Rev: KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE/(1980 1¢)/I BRING/GOOD LUCK
Shape: Horseshoe, Alum., 41 X 35mm, Holed at top.

MD-EC-57

Obv: ACE COIN EXCHANGE/YORK RD-PH 435-5305 BALT.MD./PARK AVE-837-3923 BALT.MD./ (1964 1¢)/RICHIE HWY-GLENBURNIE/PH 789-6180
Rev: KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE/(1964 1¢)
Shape: Round, Alum., 35mm

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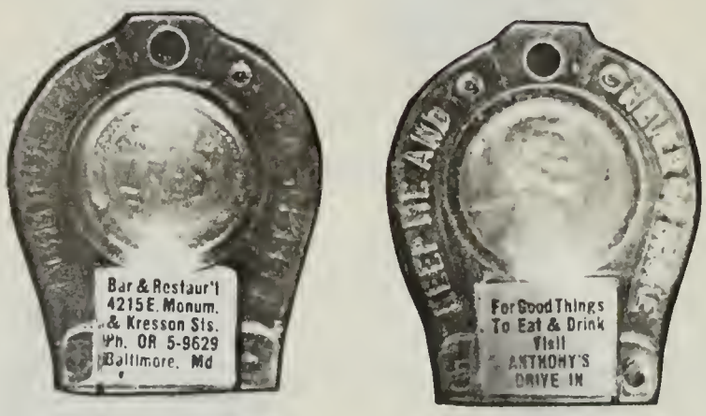


MD-EC-62

MD-EC-63

MD-EC-58

Obv: GOLD SEAL MILK/ONLY A PENNY MORE/(1939 1¢)/LUCKY PENNY/WESTERN MARYLAND DAIRY
Rev: GOLD SEAL MILK/ENJOY ITS RICHNESS/(1939 1¢)/VERNON 3800/WESTERN MARYLAND DAIRY
Shape: Round, Goldine, 29mm

MD-EC-59

Obv: INTERSTATE COIN CLUB, INC./(1948D 1¢)/HAGERSTOWN, MD. (Ltrs 3½mm, club name)
Rev: KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE/(1948D 1¢) (Ltrs 2mm)
Shape: Round, Alum., 35mm

MD-EC-59a Same die but 1956D 1¢
MD-EC-59b Same die but 1962D 1¢
MD-EC-59c Same wording but different die and 1964D 1¢. Club name letters 3mm on obverse and letters 3mm on reverse.

MD-EC-60

Obv: THE ORIGINAL CUMBERLAND/OLD GERMAN BEER/(1957D 1¢)/THE QUEEN CITY BRG. CO./ CUMBERLAND, MD.
Rev: KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE/(1957D 1¢)/I BRING/GOOD LUCK
Shape: Horseshoe, Alum., 41 X 35mm

MD-EC-60a Same die but 1958D 1¢
MD-EC-60b Same die but 1958D 1¢

MD-EC-61

Obv: AMERICAN WOLLEN MILLS/OUTFITTERS TO MEN & BOYS/(1946 1¢)/2204 E. MONUMENT ST.
Rev: KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE/(1946 1¢)/ I BRING/GOOD LUCK
Shape: Horseshoe, Alum., 41 X 35mm

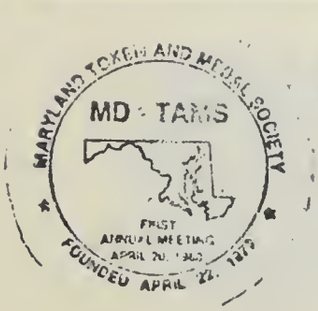
MD-EC-62

Obv: (1946 1¢)/BAR

Obv: KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE/(1946 1¢)/For Good Things/To Eat & Drink/Visit/ ANTHONY'S DRIVE IN
Rev: (1946 1¢)/Bar & Restaur't/4215 E. Monum./& Kresson Sts./Ph OR 5-9629/ Baltimore, Md.
Shape: Horseshoe, Plastic-Color pale green, Holed at top, 44 X 36½mm

MD-EC-63

Obv: MOUNTAIN WATER MAKES THE DIFFERENCE/OLD EXPORT BEER/(1968D 1¢)/THE CUMBERLAND BREWING CO./CUMBERLAND, MD.
Rev: KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE/(1968D 1¢)/I BRING/GOOD LUCK
Shape: Horseshoe, Alum., 41 X 35mm



MARYLAND WOODS

by
Stan Brown
MD TAMS C-37
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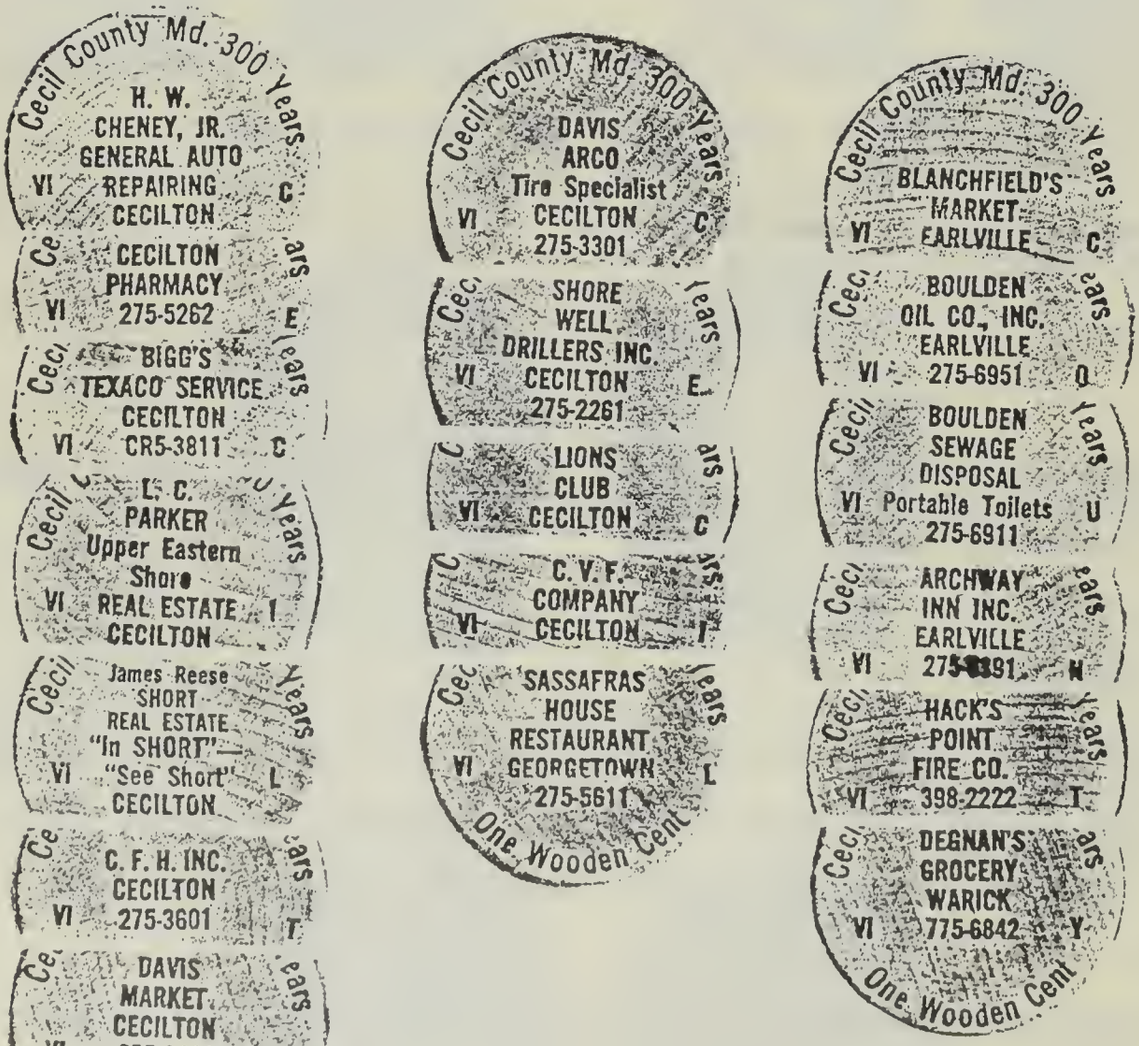
With this issue, we complete the eleven series of wooden cents issued for the Cecil County 300 Years Celebration. These series contain 273 different pieces.

This issue depicts Series II, which spells "Elkton Cecil County Maryland Tercentenary" and Series VI, which spells "Cecilton Cecil County".

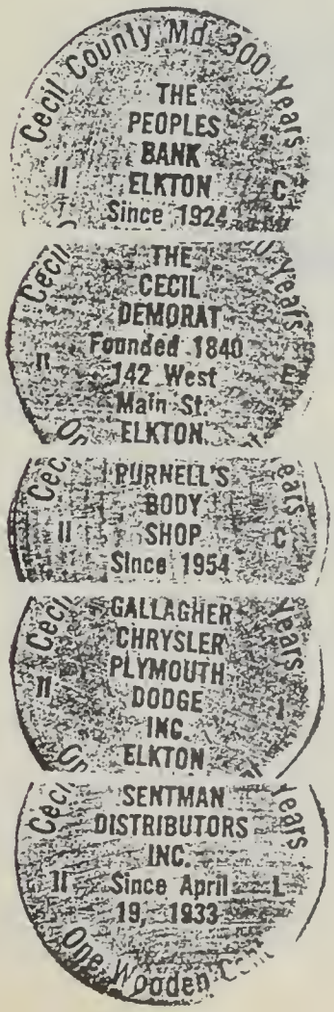


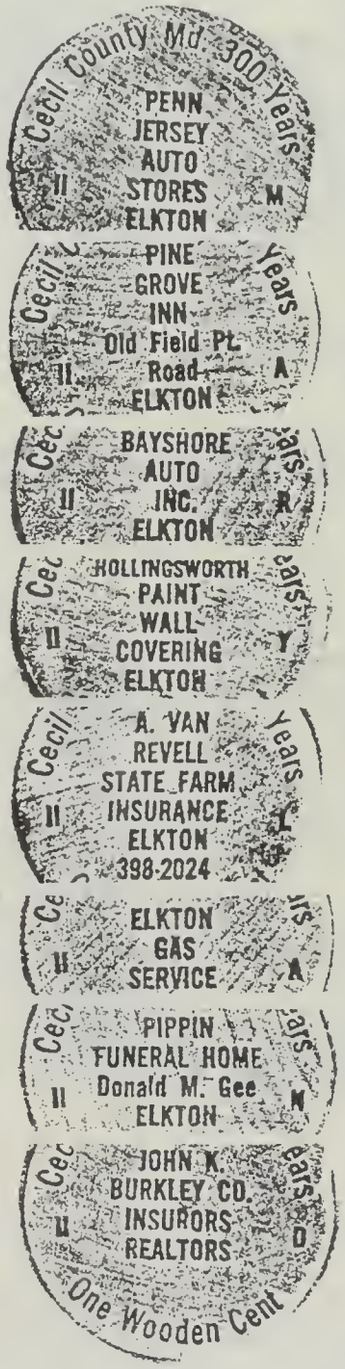
Series VI

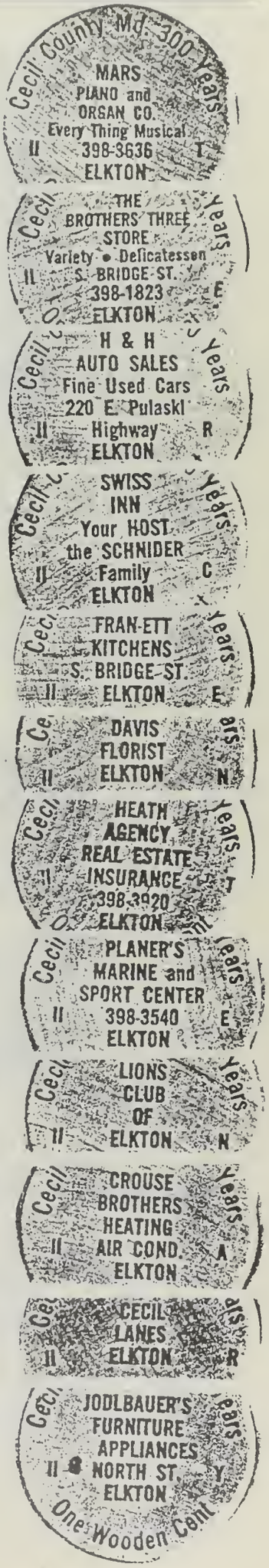
Spells: CECILTON CECIL COUNTY

Series II

Spells: ELKTON CECIL COUNTY
MARYLAND TERCENTENARY







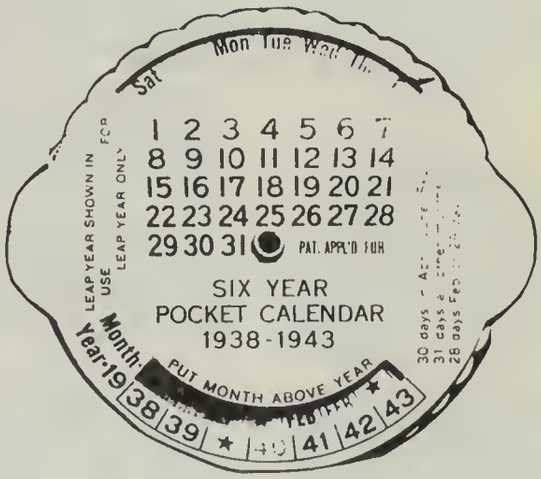
MARYLAND CALENDAR MEDALS & STORE CARDS

BY A. VERNON TAYLOR MD TAMS LM2

Another interesting collectable group of exonumia is that of Calendar Medals and Store Cards. These pieces have been around for centuries, literally. I have seen photographs of calendar medals dated 1582 from the Netherlands and many 1700 and 1800 pieces from England. The earliest medal pieces I have seen from the United States were dated 1855 and the earliest adjustable pieces were those issued for the Columbian Exposition period of 1892-1893.

These pieces are found as calendars for a particular year or are of "perputual" nature, either by calculating from a table or by have a movable center disc to adjust for the year.

I have not seen any Maryland calendar medals. I have only seen three adjustable Maryland calendar store cards. These are in my collection and are shown in this article.



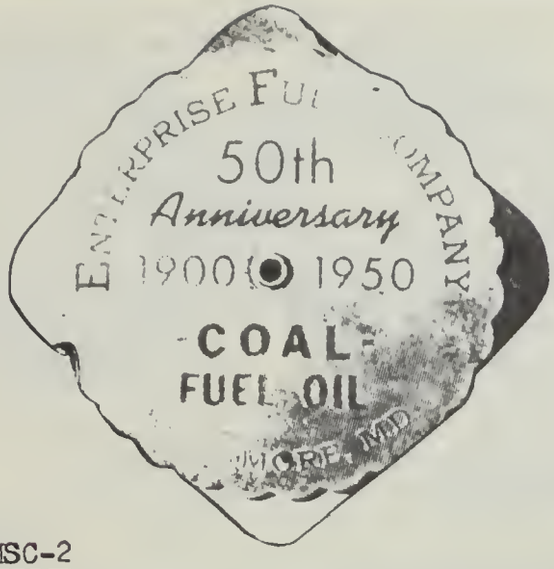
MD-CMSC-1

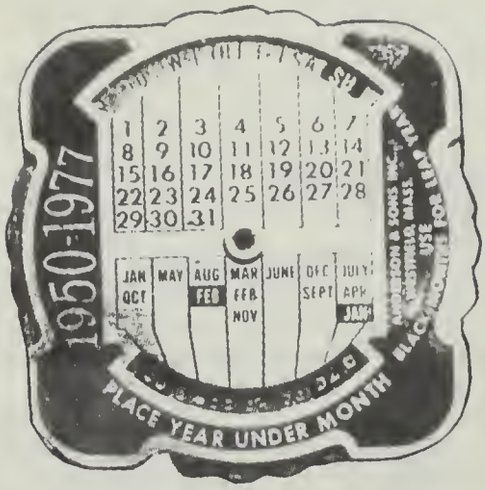
Obv: CORNELIUS PRINTING COMPANY/NEWSPAPERS/MAGAZINES/AND/COMMERCIAL PRINTING/ TELEPHONE/SHEPHARD 1916/SILVER SPRING, MARYLAND

Rev: (A perpetual calendar for the years 1938-1943, adjustable.)

43mm, 47mm tip to tip; Round; Stainless steel; Made by Anderson & Sons, Westfield, Mass.; Black letters on obverse, black and red letters on reverse.

Photographs not to scale.



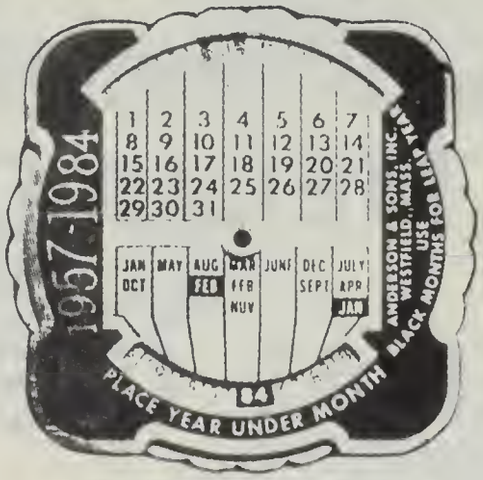


MD-CMSC-2

Obv: ENTERPRISE FUEL COMPANY/50th/ANNIVERSARY/1900 1950/ - COAL - /FUEL OIL/ BALTIMORE, MD.

Rev: (A perpetual calendar for the years 1950-1977, adjustable.)

43 X 43mm; Square; Stainless steel; Made by Anderson & Sons, Inc., Westfield, Mass.; Goldine on obverse, goldine and black on reverse.



MD-CMSC-3

Obv: PERMA-ROCK PRODUCTS INC./(Bag of Perma-rock pictured)/BALTIMORE 30, MD.

Rev: (A perpetual calendar for the years 1957-1984, adjustable.)

43 X 43mm; Square; Aluminum; Made by Anderson & Sons, Inc., Westfield, Mass.; Blue-gray and silver on obverse, black and silver letters on reverse.

Do you have any Maryland calender store cards? If so, I would like to hear from you. I believe that there are not many of these around. They were probably not too popular as compared to other minor type store cards such as encased, good luck pieces, flipper and spinners.

Let me know if you have any of these pieces: A. Vernon Taylor, 6119 Wheatland Road, Baltimore, MD 21228

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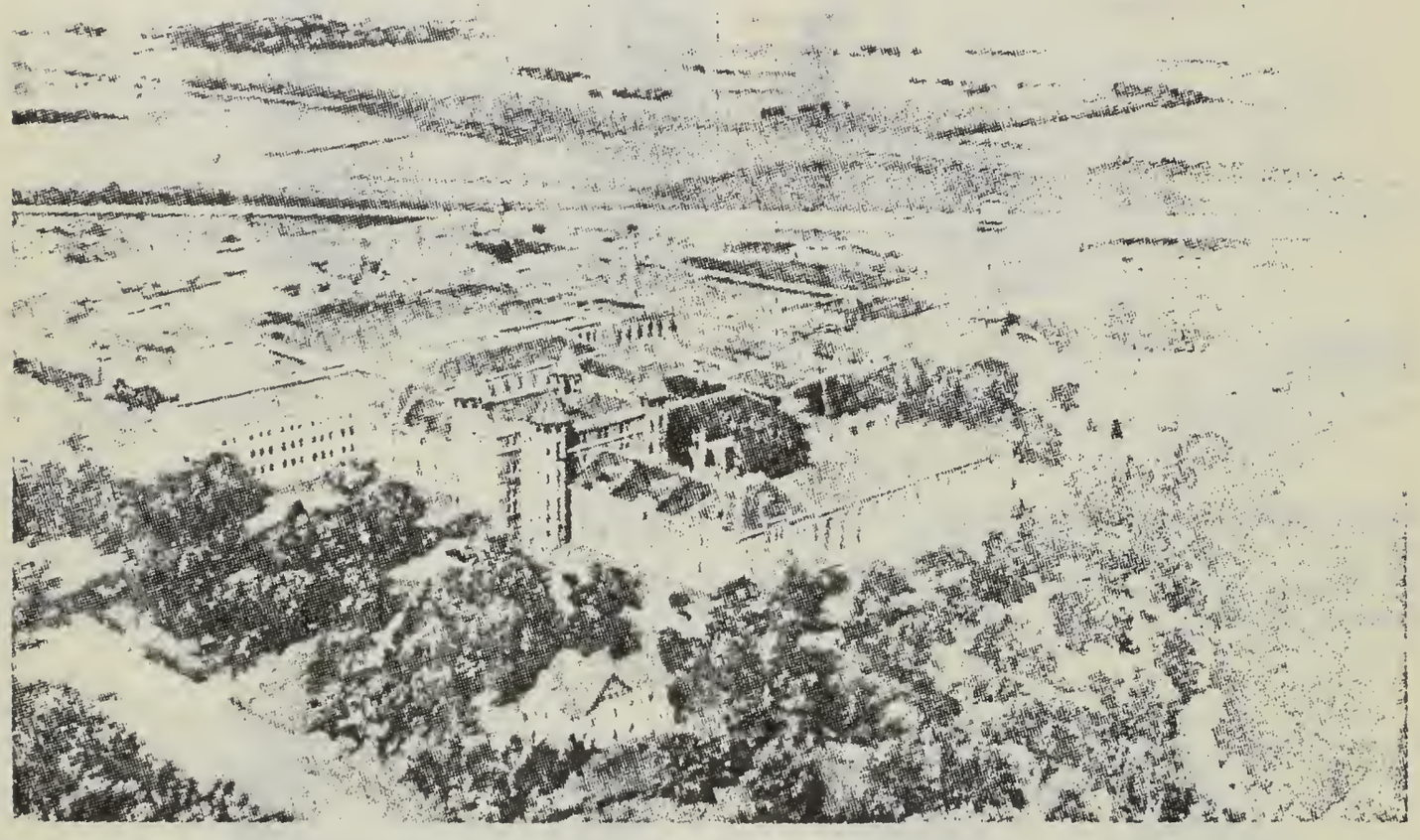
Air View, Minnesota State Reformatory, St. Cloud, Minn.



THE MEDIA OF EXCHANGE
OF OUR
"PENAL INSTITUTIONS"

By

Jerry Zara, #3542

And

Bob Lemke, #3138

Modern American criminal rehabilitation theory holds that convicts and cash do not mix. An inordinate lust for money landed many of the prisoners behind bars in the first place, and the use of cash inside the walls contributes to escapes, corruption and the proliferation of criminal activities among inmates.

A convict with legal tender United States cash in his possession can bribe correctional officers for special treatment; can feed, transport and even arm himself in the event of an escape; can participate in gambling — a major cause of inmate turmoil; can purchase contraband and "favors" from other inmates and is a potential victim for extortion by prisoners or guards.

There are legitimate uses of some type of currency system in prison, however. Most penal institutions allow inmates to purchase from a commissary or canteen such items as tobacco, personal toilet articles, reading material, hobby supplies, snack food, etc.

Therefore, there is a need to establish some type of currency system that will allow the inmates the lawful uses of money while denying them the illicit benefits.

As far back as the early 1800s, European prisons and workhouses had begun the use of token coinage systems for inmates. It was a full century later, however, before any American penitentiary adopted a prison token system. Throughout the 20th Century, a number of currency substitutes have evolved for use in penitentiaries, reformatories, county and city jails, prison farms, work camps, criminal hospitals and other places of incarceration. Some of these convict currencies have met

An example of an early European prison token is this British copper penny token of 1812 which has been counter-stamped BRADFORD/WORK-HOUSE.

with more success than others. The use of tokens in prison is now nearly obsolete, having been precluded by use of coupons, punch cards and various charge systems that completely eliminate a circulating medium of exchange.

This catalog is intended for use by exonumists rather than penologists, so its focus will be upon the currency substitutes themselves rather than the prisons where they are used or the inmates that use them. A few words, however, are appropriate to give the collector an idea of how each currency substitute system operates, as an aid to understanding the items commonly encountered and cataloged herein.

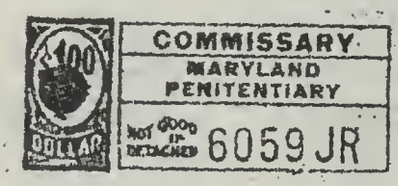
TOKENS: Although they were the first widely used convict currency, tokens provide the inmate with a circulating medium of exchange that does not completely eliminate the problems caused by a cash system. True, tokens present an obstacle to bribery of correctional officers and hinder escape; but, they can still be used among inmates for gambling, illegal purchases and extortion.

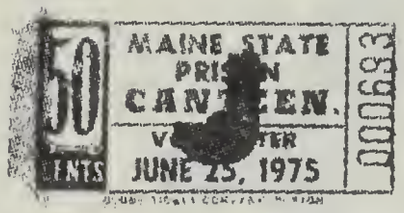
In general, the operation of a prison token system is as follows: Any money an inmate brings with him at the beginning of his sentence, or receives while in prison as gifts from the outside or pay for work done in the penitentiary is credited to his account. From that account, the inmate is allowed to draw tokens for his personal use in the canteen, commissary, etc. A limit is often placed on the amount of tokens an inmate may draw — say, $10 a week or $50 a month. In addition, many institutions also limit the amount an inmate may have in his possession at one time; any excess considered contraband and subject to confiscation.

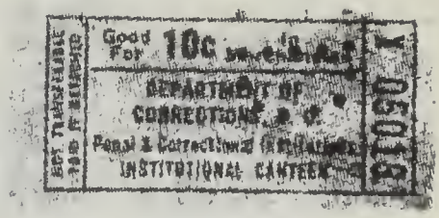
These tokens, then, are a true circulating coinage — both legally and illegally — within the prison of issue.

The collector of prison tokens will find them issued in denominations of 1¢ through $5, with the most common denominations 1¢, 5¢, 10¢, 25¢, 50¢, $1 and $5, corresponding to the U.S. coinage system. Metallic compositions encountered will include aluminum, brass or bronze, nickel alloy and various white metals. Prison tokens have also been issued in fibre and more recently in plastic. Also included under token systems would be the canvas and paper currencies issued by Nevada State Prison and New York's Sing Sing, respectively.

Certain institutions have issued tokens which carry no denomination. These are generally sold at fluctuating prices and are used for the purchase of a specific item. For example, a number of prisons have such tokens that are used in soda and ice cream vending machines.







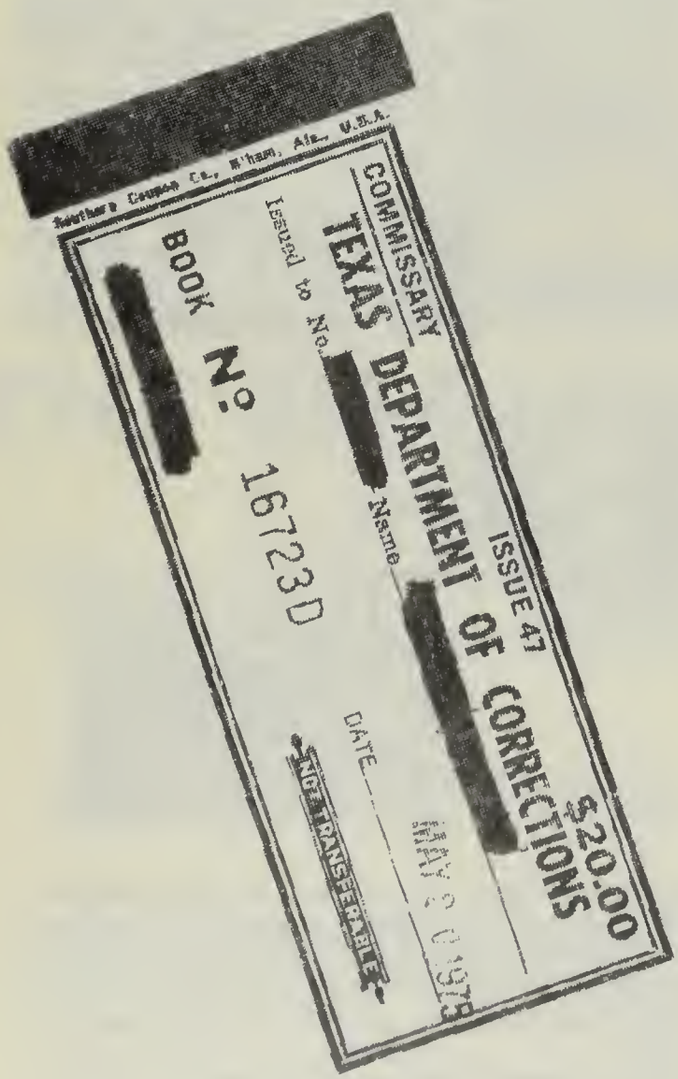
COUPONS: One of the most effective substitute currencies now used in American prisons is the coupon book. Issued in denominations of 50¢ to $50, depending on the prison of issue, the booklets are made up of perforated coupons in a wide variety of denominations from 1¢ to $1.

Like the token system, money-credited to an inmate's account may be withdrawn in the form of coupon books. Unlike the tokens, however, the coupon books and individual coupons are not a circulating exchange medium. Nearly all coupon books are printed with a serial number that is repeated on each of the coupons therein. Additionally, coupons and books are not transferable, nor

are the coupons valid if detached from the book. When making a purchase from the commissary, the inmate must present the clerk with the entire book and the clerk removes and retains the necessary coupons for the purchase. Used individual coupons are generally perforation-cancelled, the condition in which most of them reach collectors hands.

In an attempt to obviate counterfeiting problems, since many penitentiaries print the coupons which are used there, the coupon books are often issued with a date beyond which the coupons are no longer valid. Color of paper for each denomination is also changed occasionally to combat fakery. Also included with the coupons are numbered tickets, much like movie tickets. These are used in much the same way as the non-denomination tokens, for purchase of a specific item.

Most of the books that are printed commercially are done by either the Southern Coupon Co., Birmingham, Ala. or Allison Coupon Co., Indianapolis, Ind.



This $20 coupon book from Texas' Huntsville State Penitentiary is typical of one of the most widely used systems of inmate currency substitutes in American prisons today.

PUNCH CARDS: Operating on basically the same principle as coupon books are punch cards. Money is withdrawn from an inmate's account in the form of a card of specified value. That value comprises the total of the several denominations printed around the border of the card. Thus, a $2 punch card might be made up of four 25¢ impressions, four 10¢ impressions, ten 5¢ impressions and ten 1¢ impressions. Upon purchase of a candy bar at the canteen, for example, an inmate would present the card and the clerk would punch a hole through one each of the 10¢ and 5¢ impressions. When all of the individual denominations have been punched out of the card, it is worthless.

Like the coupon books, most punch cards are serial numbered and carry the name of the inmate to whom it was issued. There are some prisons that even go as far as to have the thumb print of the inmate on the card, where it is matched at the time of purchase. They are not transferable.

CHARGE SYSTEMS: Although not of much interest to exonumists since no substitute currency is used, a few words on inmate charge accounting systems will be presented to show the collector an alternative to cash substitutes that is being used in many institutions.

Called a variety of names such as Inmate Money Transfer, Personal Fund Withdrawal Requisition, Prison Store Record, etc., these personal charge accounts are used to transfer an inmate's funds directly from his personal account to the commissary or other supplier of goods and services purchased by the inmate. No medium of exchange is involved, and aside from the bookkeeping required, this is considered the most desirable manner for handling prisoners' finances.

There are many other types of paper accounting systems that are utilized, such as Ledger cards, a ledger kept by the commisary clerk which is signed each time by the inmate, and the Register Tape method, where the inmate will sign the register tape upon each purchase.

RELATED ITEMS: While collecting prison exonumia, you will find that there are many more items to collect than just tokens, medals and scrip, which we shall call related items.

When speaking at meetings or exhibiting your collection for others to share, it is a lot more interesting when displayed along with the other items of exonumia that are prison related.

Over the years co-author Jerry Zara has managed to assemble many different items that are used on inmate and correctional officers' uniforms, such as buttons, insignia items, chevron patches, buckles, badges, collar items and cap shields. His collection even has an authentic uniform that was used on the Georgia "chain-gang," which is displayed dressed on a manikin.

A good way of gathering information concerning the numerous institutions that we have in the United States is to collect picture post cards. An enormous amount of information can be obtained from these cards. In Zara's collection there are over 600 different cards.

One can also assemble a collection of medals and bars or ingots that are prison related, as are shown here.

Unit_____ Date_____

INMATE STORES

Charge_____
Signature (write plainly)

$_____ Posted_____

_____ _____
Ticket No. Approved

CHARGE

Date_____

Charge $_____ to the account of

_____

Pay to _____

_____

Signed _____

Approved _____
House Officer

Countersigned_____
Deputy Superintendent

Charge slips $5.00 and over must be countersigned by the Deputy Supt.

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MASS. CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION, NORFOLK

NORFOLK, MASSACHUSETTS

Typical charge slips used in institutions which have eliminated circulating media of exchange for inmates.

Zara's collection also includes weapons that were confiscated from the inmates, as well as some very nice art work. Inmates have the time to make some very nice items, that are generally sold in the prison gift shop. Most prisons will have a shop that visitors can stop at to purchase these art works. The money received from the sale goes to the inmate; of course he will not get the cash, his account will be credited.

Though you may not find them in your local library, there are many books that can be found that will help you with the research of penal institutions.

Zara has over two dozen hard cover books authored and signed by the prison officials of their time. Most relate their tour of duty and experiences, which make very interesting reading material. There are also many books around that have been authored by inmates, concerning their time spent in prisons.

A great way of obtaining information right from the horse's mouth, so to speak, would be to write to the prisoners themselves. Much of the information found in this catalog has been obtained from this source.

The route of prison exonumia is broad, very broad, and there is a wealth of information out there. One must devote many hours and sometimes come up empty, but that's half the fun, and that's why collecting items of prison exonumia is so interesting.

USING THIS CATALOG

It is hoped that readers who have in their collections items of interest which have not been included in this catalog will contact the authors, so that the information can be included in any updating work which may be accomplished in the future.

All listings in this catalog follow the same general pattern. Each piece is designated by the catalog number which consists of the two-letter postal abbreviation for the state of issue and a number; thus AK-1 would be the first piece listed under Alaska (if Alaska had issued any substitute currency for its prisons).

The first listing of each issuing institution contains the name of the prison in boldface type. Each listing subsequent to that should be considered form the same prison until another prison of issue is listed.

Where known, each piece is cataloged with its denomination, size, shape, color (on paper and plastic items) and compositions. Major obverse and reverse design details are listed with the exonumia cataloging convention of a slash mark being used to indicate at which points the lettering changes lines on a particular piece. No attempt has been made to indicate each dot, flourish, fancy background (on paper items), etc., especially where the item is illustrated.

The rarity scale by which each piece is rated has been arrived at by the author on the basis of many years of collecting in this field and in conjunction with input from other collectors of prison tokens.

Items are rarity-rated on a three-tier system determined by the number known to be in the hands of the TAMS members who contributed to this catalog. The classifications are: Rare, Scarce, Common.

No attempt has been made to price the cataloged items. Many of them are so rare that they seldom appear in the mail bid sales or on the bourse tables. Also, there are so few specialists in this field that the most common method of token acquisition among them is trading. In spite of limited supply and demand, interest in this series is definitely on the upswing, with many exonumists now trying to break into the field of prison tokens. Even the most common items sell for $1 or more, with the most in the $3-6 range and some of the older, rarest tokens bringing $50 and more at auctions.

MARYLAND

( ) **MD-1 MARYLAND PENITENTIARY.** Five cents, 50mm X 22mm, pink paper coupon.
Obv: In rectangle at left, 5 in oval, CENTS in banner below; in rectangle at right, COMMISSARY/ MARYLAND/ PENITENTIARY/ NOT GOOD/ IF/ DETACHED (serial number)
Rev: Blank. All printing in red ink. (Rare)

( ) **MD-2** Ten cents, salmon paper coupon, design similar to MD-1. (Rare)

( ) **MD-3** Twenty-five cents, yellow paper coupon, design similar to MD-1. (Rare)

( ) **MD-4** Fifty cents, green paper coupon, design similar to MD-1. (Rare)

( ) **MD-5** One dollar, blue paper coupon, design similar to MD-1. (Rare)

NOTE: The above coupons came in booklets of $1, $2, $3, $4, $5, and $10.

Maryland Canning Tokens

by
Jane Sears R-80
&
Russ Sears R-54

A continuing study of tokens used in Maryland Canning Industry.

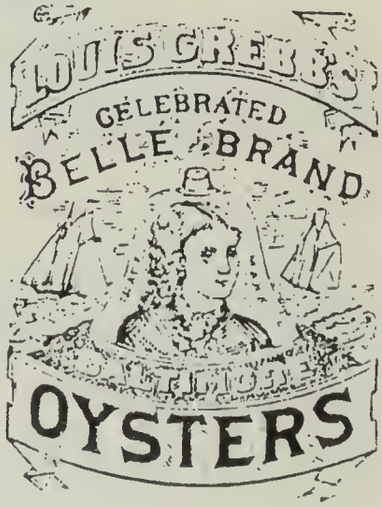
Following the precedent established by other series in this journal, we will refer to these canning tokens as MD-CT-(Number) for reference purposes, in case someone wishes to refer to one of these pieces in letters or conversation.

* * BALTIMORE * *

The canning industry in Baltimore required the establishment of several support industries. Tin cans were needed and manufactured by local companies. A few of the packing houses imported tin and made their own cans. Nearly 30 million cans were produced annually in the late 1860's. Six large printing houses were in operation exclusively for the purpose of printing labels. Competition was great and only the most unique and beautiful designs were sought to advertise their products to the world. No cost was spared in the perfection of these labels, many resembling wood engravings.

Louis McMurray & Co.

John W. Nicol



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Some of the large canneries owned huge lime-kilns which converted the oyster shells into lime. Other firms paid farmers and others to haul away the shells for the construction of roads or for the improvement of the land adjacent to the city.

L. C. Spencer & Company conducted an oyster packing business at 319 Aliceanna between 1864 and 1870. From 1871 to 1873 the firm was located at the corner of Jackson and West streets.

Miller 160, Adams 160, Duffield 138, Wright 1024

OBV: L. C. SPENCER & Co. (In the center a shield and below it an ornament.)

REV: ONE GALLON (In center an oyster, below two crossed branches.)

Nickel 20mm Round
(also 19mm)

MD-CT-9

Miller 161, Adams 161, Duffield 139

OBV: L. C. SPENCER & Co. (In center an oyster below an ornament.)

REV: 10 / GALLS (within a wreath, with a star at the top.)

Nickel 25mm Round
(also 24mm)

MD-CT-9a

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Thomas J. Myer & Company - 1867 to 1931 (See detailed story in Spring 1981 issue of MD TAMS Journal p. 14)

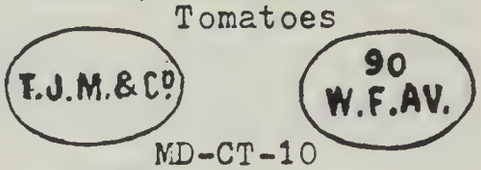
They canned:

Corn	Green Beans	Peaches
Peas	Lima Beans	Cherries
Tomatoes	Sweet Potatoes	Berries (all kinds)
Spinach	Plums	Okra, and Okra and Tomatoes
Apples	Pears	

OBV: T. J. M. & Co

REV: 90 / W. F. AV.

22mm x 15mm Copper Oval



MD-CT-10

OBV: T. J. M & Co. / (star in rays) /

REV: Liberty head surrounded by 13 stars

21mm Brass Round

MD-CT-10a

OBV: T. J. M & Co. / (star in rays) /
cstp 1111

REV: 25 in wreath & star at top

21mm Nickel Round

MD-CT-10b

OBV: T. J. M & CO./(stars & rays)/ (orna)

REV: M (incused)

23mm Round

MD-CT-10c

MD TAMS CLASSIFIED

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Non-member advertising will be accepted at the rate of 8¢ per word, subject to the advertising restrictions listed above.

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WANTED: Expired Credit Cards 1950-80. Trade for Wheat Pennies.National or local co. Send info to John David Robbins, 1725 Linden Ave., Baltimore, MD 21217

Collecting W. VA., Tenn., VA., Ind., Ga., S.C., N.C., Ala., KY. One merchant token per town. Generally only smaller towns needed. Tom Hitt, P. O. Box 970, Defiance. Ohio 43512

WANTED: VIRGINIA TOKENS and all 1¢ COAL SCRIP. Write and state prices. Page Mann, 484 Catesby Lane, Williamsburg, VA 23185

WANTED: BOY SCOUT tokens and medals. Write with particulars and price. Carl Neeley, Rt. 1, Box 17-1, Leonardtown, MD 20650

Others collect Silver and Gold; I collect LEAD! Lead in the form of U.S. COMMUNION TOKENS. Will Buy or Trade. Leonard Dunikoski, P.O. Box 122, Little Silver, NJ 07739

MILLER-Listed Tokens, Thomas Church, "Bungtowns", 1848 French Revolutionary Pieces WANTED. Brian Altman, 1400 Old York Road, Abington, PA 19001

WANTED: Drug, Medical, Dental, Optometric, Temperance Medals, Tokens, Badges, Woods, Advertising Mirrors, Cards, Almanacs and Postcards. Also Maryland, National and Obsolete Currency, Checks, Stock Certificates. Buy or Trade.(Have MD Exonumia) Leonard Rothstein, 2503 Velvet Valley, Owings Mills, MD 21117

WANTED: Medals and Information On Medals Designed by Hans Schuler & Hans C. Schuler, Jr. A. Vernon Taylor, 6119 Wheatland Rd, Baltimore, MD 21228

WANTED TO BUY: Military Awards and Decorations. United States and Foreign World War II. Phil Greenslet, Box 377, Reisterstown, MD 21136

IS YOUR LIBRARY UP TO DATE?? "VIRGINIA TOKENS" By Schenkman is available for $27.00 Postpaid from V.N.A. Dept. EM, P.O.Box 353, Hampton, VA 23669

WANTED: MILITARY Good For Tokens, WWI ID TAGS and COLLAR DISCS. Will buy or trade for. JIM SHIPLEY, 8110 HATTERAS LANE, SPRINGFIELD, VA 22151

WANTED: CHARGE CARD TOKENS from MARYLAND. Will buy or trade. Need to expand exhibit. DOT HAJEK, 1404 HARBERSON RD., BALTIMORE, MD 21228

WANTED: MEDALS depicting MARYLAND HERALDRY. Need medals with Coat-of-arms for cities, counties and state. Will buy or trade. Mill Hajek, 1404 Harberson Rd., Baltimore. MD 21228

WANTED: DAIRY TOKENS. JOHN WANAMAKER TOKENS AND MEDALS. FL GOOD FORS. XMAS TOKENS AND MEDALS. DICK WATLEY, DRAWER " 20348, ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33702-0348

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Am interested making contact anyone having following Woods For Sale or Trading: Frostburg 1962, Wicomico 1967, Stan Brown, 117 Brown St., Elkton, MD 21921

WANTED: Tokens from West Indies, Central and South America, Mexico, Canada, Southeast Asia & Africa. Write, LIMARC, Box 1142, Langley Park, MD 20787

FOR SALE OR TRADE: ROSEDALE PASSENGER LINE TICKETS. RUSS SEARS, 9323 WALTHAM WOODS RD., BALTIMORE, MD 21234 TEL: 668-8538

BUY OR TRADE Hard Time Tokens Needed For My Collection. Bill Lenz, 1806 Wentworth Road, Baltimore, MD 21234

Don't have Token one. Will purchase Tokens and Medals and someday become a Top Collector. Kenny Baum, 2025 W. Rogers Ave., Baltimore, MD 21209

WANTED: Items from the Maryland Tercentenary and all types of Carroll County exonumia, especially Shriver tokens. Write with description, price. Greg Ruby, 400 S. Houcksville Road, Hampstead, MD 21074

WANTED: Phillips Packing Co. Tokens on Factory A and Phillips Packing West Denton Plant. Will Buy or Trade. Moses D. Moore, 912 Peachblossom Ave., Cambridge, MD 21613

A. A. Co. Pickers' Checks Bought, Sold & Traded. Have lots of dupes. Also want Magician's Tokens & Medals. Bill Kuethe, P. O. Box 218, Glen Burnie, MD 21061

RAILROAD, BOY SCOUT AND CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL MEDALS, BADGES AND TOKENS WANTED AS EXHIBIT OR RESEARCH MATERIAL. GEORGE CUHAJ, BOX 6021, LONG ISLAND CITY, NY 11106

WANTED: STORE TOKENS FROM MD, PA, N.Y., & NEW ENGLAND. ALSO MILITARY TOKENS-POST EXCHANGE, SUTLER, NAVAL; IN FACT, ANY U.S. OR FOREIGN MILITARY. THOMAS S. GORDON, BOX 388, MANCHESTER, MD 21102

City of Annapolis is disposing of only known supply of Arundel Bus Company Tokens, 50¢ each or 11 for $5.00. Discount on large volumes available. All proceeds go to the city. Please include SASE. Wayne Coleman, P. O. Box 723, Annapolis, MD 21404

DELAWARE EXONUMIA WANTED for personal collection. C. B. Tyson, 613 Halstead Road, Wilmington, DE 19803

WANTED: ONE OF THE NEW ELECTRONIC ARCADE GAME TOKENS FROM EACH STATE. WILL PURCHASE OR TRADE FOR TWO "GOOD FORS" (NO STOCK TOKENS PLEASE). ROBERT A. JOHNSON, 5 SANFORD AVE., BALTIMORE, MD 21228

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Membership Report

NEW MEMBERS:

R-105 Mugnai, Donald, 10305 Haywood Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20902 (Collects Civil War Tokens & Dog Tags, Maine Tokens All Types)

R-106 Collins, F. Lee, P. O. Box 95, Chesapeake City, MD 21915 (Collects Tokens & Medals of Cecil Cty., Ration Tokens, US & For. Coins & Currency)

CHANGES IN THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF MD TAMS EFFECTIVE 3-1-83

By-Laws

Article I Meetings

Section 2 The annual meeting of this Society shall be held in the Spring of each year. (Formerly was held in conjunction with the annual convention of MSNA)

Constitution

Article IV Officers

The elected officers of this Society shall be the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary and two Governors. These elected officers and the immediate Past President shall constitute the Board of Directors of seven.
(Formerly, the elected officers were the President, Executive Vice Pres-Treasurer & Secretary. In addition to the elected officers, the VP-Communications and VP-Cataloging and the immediate Past President constituted the Board of Directors)

(The Editor and Chairman-Cataloging will still be appointed by the President, but no longer have a vote on the Board)

Delaware Valley Token & Medal Show Auction Sat 7 PM by Presidential Coin Co.
Country Squire Motor Lodge
Friday (dealers only) Saturday Sunday May 13,14,15 Route 70 Cherry Hill, N.J.

FROM THE EDITOR-FAREWELL

This issue of the journal is the last issue that I will produce as Editor.

As you know, the office of Vice President-Communications is (was) an appointed office. Normally, my term would expire with the election of the new President in April. However, since an issue of the journal is due out June 21st, I thought it would be better to resign effective with the issuing of the March 21st issue allowing the newly appointed co-editors the full three months between issues to produce their first issue.

The Sears' have agreed to accept the editorialship as of March 21st. I feel sure they will give the journal a shot in the arm. It is time for a change from my format after nearly four years. It takes changes in a journal of this kind to keep it interesting to the readers. Also, I have hopes that Russ will be able to squeeze some ads from his national dealer friends. This would hold down the cost of producing the journal, which has been climbing, and eliminate thoughts of dues increases.

I wish to thank all of those who contributed to the journal under my editorialship these past four years, and a special thanks to my chief proof reader, Millard Hakej, I mean Hajek. I hope you did not find too many typos throughout the past fifteen issues.

30 Ed.

P.S. Don't forget the "mini-catalogs" that I have started in the journal. I plan to submit additions to the new editors on these as I obtain new information from you. Also, my daughter Joan will be heading for VPI this fall to begin her college education, so I will pick up where she leaves off in the encased coin catalog. Incidentally, I believe there was more contributors to this series than any other.

Ed.

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_____

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